



Westlake Boys High School

Te Kura Tuarua o Ngā Taitamatāne o Ururoto

CURRICULUM MUSIC COURSES

Our curriculum courses are all fully accredited for university entrance, giving students a solid grounding in musical knowledge and skills. Many students take music as a subject even though they are not intending to study music at tertiary level, as the mix of academic, creative and practical skills are highly sought-after in many other subject areas.

Y9 CORE MUSIC

This is a short 9-week introductory course, covering some of basics of music reading, performance and composition.

Y9 / Y10 OPTION MUSIC

This full-year course is offered to boys who are learning an instrument, and prepares them for NCEA at senior level. Curriculum areas include performance, composition, history, aural and theory skills. Note that all students enrolled in these courses must be taking regular instrumental music lessons, either privately or in the itinerant lesson program at the school.

Y9 / Y10 MUSIC INSTITUTE

This course is open to audition for those musicians who are proficient performers. Curriculum areas include performance, composition, history, aural and theory skills. Note that all students enrolled in these courses must be taking regular instrumental music lessons, either privately or in the itinerant lesson program at the school.

Y11 – Y13 NCEA MUSIC

This course is designed for those seeking a more classical / art music path. It covers solo performance, composition, music history, as well as aural and theory skills. Note that all students enrolled in these courses must be taking regular instrumental music lessons, either privately or in the itinerant lesson program at the school.

Y11 – Y13 CONTEMPORARY NCEA MUSIC

This course is designed for those seeking a contemporary / rock music path. It covers solo and group performance, composition (including song writing), aural, theory and music history. Note that all students enrolled in these courses must be taking regular instrumental music lessons, either privately or in the itinerant lesson program at the school.

MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP

Students who are highly proficient performers, composers or academics are able to enrol for the NZQA Scholarship exam.